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15-year-old Struck by Metrolink Train

Riverside, CA – On Thursday, October 10, 2013, at approximately 5:58 PM, the Riverside Police Department received a call of a juvenile bicyclist being struck by a Metrolink train on Madison Avenue just south of Indiana Avenue. The minor was stopped on his bicycle on the west side of Madison (north of the tracks) waiting for an eastbound train to pass. The railroad safety arms were down to indicate the tracks were not clear. However, the minor continued south riding his bicycle on the sidewalk area around the safety arms with no regard for the westbound train on the opposite tracks. The minor was then struck and killed by the train.

The identity of the deceased will be released by the Coroner's office pending notification of family members. Representatives from Metrolink, BNSF, Los Angeles County Sheriff, Riverside County Sheriff-Coroner and the Riverside Police Department all assisted in the investigation, which is ongoing.

Members of the department's Major Accident Investigation Team responded and assisted with the investigation. Riverside Police Department Chaplains were also present to assist with grieving family and community members present during the investigation. Anyone with information related to this investigation is urged to contact Detective Rick Prince at 951-826-8722.

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